various conservation activities like restoration measures, protection measures and education & awareness in Kolleru Lake.

As per the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, a total of 1776 illegal fish tank bunds covering an area of about 44,700 acres in West Godavari and Krishna District have been demolished. The State Government has also engaged Wetland International South Asia (WISA) for technical assistance.

(c) Does not arise.

Violation of Environment Laws

1063. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of complaints regarding violation of Environment Laws that were received by Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) at Baroda (Vadodara) Gujarat, during last five years ending on 31st March, 2007;

(b) the actions that were taken by his Ministry on the above complaints; and

(c) the number of license that were issued by the CPCB during above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) and (b) The Zonal Office of the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) at Vadodara has received 46 complaints regarding violation of environment laws during the last five years ending on 31st March, 2007. The complaints received were taken up for necessary action with the concerned State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)/Pollution Control Committees (PCCs). In some of the cases, they were investigated through the Zonal Office of the CPCB at Vadodara and necessary action taken accordingly.

(c) The CPCB does not issue licenses to industries and licenses in terms of Consent to establish and Consent to operate are granted by the concerned SPCBs.

Schemes under Forest (Conservation) Act

1064. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schemes submitted by various States under Forest (Conservation) Act which are lying pending with Government for approval;

(b) the reasons for delay in giving approval to these schemes;

(c) the details thereof, scheme-wise; and

(d) by when these schemes would be approved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (d) As of now a total of 400 project proposals received from various State/UT Governments under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 are pending with the Central Government. The details of these proposals is given in the Statement, (*See* below). These proposals are at various stages of processing and obtaining clearance from the Hon'ble Supreme Court. The complete proposals received in the Central Government are processed on priority to ensure that there is no delay in arriving at a decision takes place